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C) a temperature probe in information communication with said remote computer via a second communication link, wherein said temperature probe provides information for calibration of said cooking appliance.

REMARKS

In the Claims:

Claim Rejections 35 USC 102 and 35 USC 103

Examiner has rejected Claims 1-17 and 24-25 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) and 35 USC 103 under Kashimoto alone, and in combination with other references. However, Examiner has stated that Claim 15 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claim. Specifically, Examiner has stated that "no prior art teaching a remote computer sending calibration instructions to a control module could be found." Therefore, in response to Examiners rejections, Applicant has amended Claim 1 to include the limitation "wherein said remote computer communicates calibration instructions to said programmable control module via said communication link". Accordingly, Claim 1 should now be allowable. Claims 2 – 17 are dependent on Claim 1 and should be allowable as well.

Claims 18 - 23

Examiner has stated that Claims 18 – 23 are allowed.

Claims 24 – 25

Applicant has amended Claim 24 to contain the limitation "wherein said programming instructions includes calibration instructions". Therefore, Claim 24 and dependent Claim 25 should be allowable.

New Claims 26 – 29

Applicant has added new Claims 26 – 29. Claims 26 and 27 are dependent on Claim 1 and should be allowable for the reasons stated above. Claims 28 and 29 contain the limitation "wherein said temperature probe provides information for calibration of said cooking appliance" and should be allowable.

CONCLUSION

Thus, for all the reasons given above, this application, as the claims are presently limited, define a novel, patentable, and truly valuable invention. Hence allowance of this application is respectfully submitted to be proper and is respectfully solicited.

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Version With Markings to Show Changes Made

Changes Made to the Claims

Claims 1, 4, 6, 15, 16, 17 and 24 were amended as follows:

1. (amended) A cooking system, comprising:
 - A) a cooking appliance, comprising:
 - i) a programmable control module,
 - ii) a heating device controlled by said programmable control module, and
 - iii) a cooking location wherein said heating device is in communication with said cooking location to provide heat to said cooking location, and
 - B) a remote computer in information communication with said programmable control module via a ~~wireless~~ communication link, wherein said remote computer communicates calibration instructions to said programmable control module via said communication link.
4. (amended) The cooking system as in Claim 1, wherein said ~~wireless~~ communication link is an infrared link.
6. (amended) The cooking system as in Claim 1, wherein said remote computer communicates programming instructions to said programmable control module via said ~~wireless~~ communication link, and wherein said remote computer receives data from said programmable control module via said ~~wireless~~ communication link.
15. (amended) The cooking system as in Claim 1, wherein said remote computer communicates calibration instructions to said programmable control module via said wireless communication link. wherein said communication link is a wireless communication link.
16. (amended) The cooking system as in Claim 1, wherein said remote computer communicates food temperature verification instructions to said programmable

~~control module via said wireless communication link wherein said calibration instructions comprise food temperature verification data.~~

17. (amended) The cooking system as in Claim 1, wherein said remote computer further communicates programming instructions to said programmable control module via said wireless communication link.

24. (amended) A method for programming a cooking appliance, wherein said cooking appliance comprises:

- A) a programmable control module,
- B) a heating device controlled by said programmable control module,
- C) a cooking location wherein said heating device is in communication with said cooking location to provide heat to said cooking location,
said method comprising the steps of:
- D) inserting programming instructions into a remote computer, wherein said programming instructions includes calibration instructions.
- E) transmitting said programming instructions from said remote computer to said programmable control module via a wireless communication link, and
- F) utilizing said programming instructions to heat said cooking location with said heating device.

Claims 26 – 29 are new.